

HOUSE RESOLUTION 149

By Roach

A RESOLUTION to recognize Don Dobbs on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of public service in education; and

WHEREAS, Don Dobbs is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for over forty years as an educator and who will be taking a much-deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Lincoln Memorial University, Mr. Dobbs holds a Master of Mathematics degree from the University of Tennessee; he has also earned a total of 100 quarter hours beyond his Master's; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dobbs has served as Mathematics teacher at Jacksboro High School, Mathematics and Physics teacher at Claiborne County High School, Adjunct Mathematics Teacher at Walters State Community College, and Principal of Tazewell—New Tazewell Primary School; and

WHEREAS, in 1977, Mr. Dobbs began his illustrious career with Claiborne County Schools, which culminated in his appointment to serve as Director of Schools in 2002; he has also served this system as Mathematics Coordinator, Title 1; Title 1/Chapter 1 Director; Chapter 1 Mathematics Supervisor; Interim Superintendent; Chapter 1 Mathematics Supervisor; and Supervisor, Title 1/Chapter 1 Mathematics, Value Added; and

WHEREAS, Don Dobbs is an active and important part of his community and his profession, participating in numerous worthy organizations, including the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Tennessee Association of School Supervisors and Administrators, Tennessee Education Association, and National Education Association, and lending his support to the East Tennessee Education Association and Claiborne County Education Association; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Mr. Dobbs has received the Outstanding Young Educator Award and the Faculty Sponsor Award for sponsoring Key Club and has been named to *Who's Who*; he has also been selected to participate in a National Science Foundation project for two 2-summer programs at East Tennessee State University (ETSU) and to participate in ETSU-BellSouth Exemplary Superintendent Training at ETSU; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dobbs has also had his work published in *Arithmetic Teacher* and has made numerous scholarly presentations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dobbs exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Don Dobbs has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues, his teachers, and his students and their parents alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we extend to Don Dobbs our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement, as we salute his exemplary tenure as Director of Claiborne County Schools, and wish him every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.